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The Honorable Charles Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive (29210) Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

Petition for an Accounting Order

Docket No. 2009-___-G

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, is a Petition for an accounting order to adopt new depreciation rates Effective January 1, 2009.

By copy of this letter we are serving the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff with a copy of the enclosed Petition and attach a certificate of service to that effect.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

K Chad Buroes

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cc: Shannon Bowyer Hudson, Esquire

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(both electronic mail and First Class U.S. Mail w/enclosures)

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2009- -G

Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas)	
Company for an Accounting Order to)	
Adopt New Depreciation Rates Effective)	CERTIFICATE
January 1, 2009)	OF SERVICE

This is the certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's **Petition for an Accounting Order** via electronic mail and First Class U.S. Mail to the persons named below at the addresses set forth:

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Columbia, South Carolina This 4th day of December 2009

IN RE:

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET	NO.	2009-	-(G

IN RE:)	
Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for an Accounting Order to Adopt New Depreciation Rates Effective January 1, 2009.))))	PETITION OF SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY FOR AN ACCOUNTING ORDER

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Company") hereby files with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") this Petition, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-220 (Supp. 2008) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 103-825 (1976, as amended), seeking an accounting order for regulatory accounting purposes authorizing SCE&G to (i) adopt updated depreciation rates effective January 1, 2009, (ii) apply the credit resulting from the application of the updated depreciation rates to calendar year 2009 activity so as to reduce purchased gas costs incurred by the Company as a result of its natural gas operations, and (iii) flow the results of the updated depreciation rates through utility operating income beginning in January 2010.

The request for relief set forth herein will not involve a change to any of SCE&G's rates or prices, or require any change in any Commission rule, regulation, or policy. In addition, the issuance of the requested accounting order will not prejudice the right of any party to address these issues in a subsequent general rate case proceeding or any filing made pursuant to the Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act under S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-410 *et seq.* (Supp. 2008).

Accordingly, neither notice to the public at-large, nor a hearing is required regarding this Petition.

In support of this Petition, SCE&G respectfully would show unto the Commission the following key facts and would request and petition the Commission for the following relief:

- 1. SCE&G is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Carolina. Further, SCE&G is, in part, a natural gas distribution utility engaged in the distribution and sale of natural gas to the public for consumption. SCE&G serves over 305,000 gas customers in 35 counties in South Carolina. SCE&G's natural gas operations are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 5 of Title 58 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.
 - 2. Corporate legal counsel for SCE&G in this proceeding are as follows:

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All correspondence and any other matters relative to this proceeding should be addressed to SCE&G's authorized representatives as stated hereinabove.

3. To ensure that its accumulated depreciation reserves are at appropriate levels and in keeping with sound accounting practice, SCE&G initiates a study of its depreciation reserves and corresponding depreciation rates on a periodic basis ("Depreciation Study"). Historically, the Company conducts a Depreciation Study every five years. SCE&G completed its most recent Depreciation Study in 2004, which was based on gas and common plant

balances as of December 31, 2003. In accordance with Order No. 2005-619, dated October 31, 2005, issued in Docket No. 2005-113-G, SCE&G implemented the depreciation rates resulting from the 2004 Depreciation Study and those rates remain in effect today.

- 4. In April 2009 and consistent with past practices, SCE&G commenced a new Depreciation Study using gas and common plant balances as of December 31, 2008 ("2009 Depreciation Study"). The results of the 2009 Depreciation Study, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, reflect an annual decrease to depreciation expense of approximately \$285,000 based on gas and common plant (applicable to gas service) balances as of December 31, 2008.
- 5. Based on the foregoing, SCE&G respectfully requests that the Commission authorize the Company to adopt the results of the 2009 Depreciation Study and implement the updated depreciation rates effective January 1, 2009. The requested effective date of January 1, 2009 will ensure timely implementation of the updated depreciation rates in the Company's accounting books and records and result in the most accurate depreciation reserves going forward by aligning the effective date with the plant balances used in the Depreciation Study.
- 6. Furthermore, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission authorize that the credit resulting from the application of the updated depreciation rates to calendar year 2009 activity be applied to reduce the Company's deferred purchased gas recovery incurred as a result of its natural gas operations and that beginning in January 2010 the results of the lower depreciation rates flow through the Company's utility operating income to the benefit of the customer, which is standard treatment for such an item.

WHEREFORE, having set forth its Petition, SCE&G respectfully requests that the Commission issue an accounting order authorizing SCE&G to (i) adopt the results of the

depreciation study attached as Exhibit A and implement the updated depreciation rates effective January 1, 2009, (ii) apply the credit resulting from the application of the updated depreciation rates to calendar year 2009 activity to reduce the Company's deferred purchased gas recovery incurred as a result of its natural gas operations, (iii) flow the results of the updated depreciation rates through utility operating income beginning in January 2010, and granting such further relief as the Commission believes is just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

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DEPRECIATION STUDY

CALCULATED ANNUAL DEPRECIATION ACCRUALS

RELATED TO GAS PLANT

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

GANNETT FLEMING, INC. - VALUATION AND RATE DIVISION

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November 30, 2009

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company 1426 Main Street Columbia, SC 29201

Attention Mr. Barry T. Burnette
Director Corporate and Depreciation Taxes
Plans and Payroll

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, we have conducted a depreciation study related to the gas plant of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company as of December 31, 2008. The attached report presents a description of the methods used in the estimation of depreciation and the summary of annual and accrued depreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

GANNETT FLEMING, INC.

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PART I. INTRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY DEPRECIATION STUDY

CALCULATED ANNUAL DEPRECIATION ACCRUALS
RELATED TO GAS PLANT
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

PART I. INTRODUCTION

SCOPE

This report presents the results of the depreciation study prepared for South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("Company") as applied to gas plant in service as of December 31, 2008. It relates to the concepts, methods and basic judgments which underlie recommended annual depreciation accrual rates related to current gas plant in service.

The service life and net salvage estimates resulting from the study were based on informed judgment which incorporated analyses of historical plant retirement data as recorded through 2008; a review of Company practice and outlook as they relate to plant operation and retirement; and consideration of current practice in the gas industry, including knowledge of service life and salvage estimates used for other gas properties.

PLAN OF REPORT

Part I includes brief statements of the scope and basis of the study. Part II presents descriptions of the methods used in the service life and salvage studies and the methods and procedures used in the calculation of depreciation. Part III presents the results of the study, including depreciation accrual rates and calculated remaining lives.

BASIS OF STUDY

Depreciation

For most accounts, the annual depreciation was calculated by the straight line method using the average service life procedure and the remaining life basis. For certain General Plant accounts, the annual depreciation was based on amortization accounting. The calculated remaining lives and annual depreciation accrual rates were based on attained ages of plant in service and the estimated service life and salvage characteristics of each depreciable group.

Survivor Curve and Net Salvage Estimates

The procedure for estimating survivor curves, which define service lives and remaining lives, consisted of compiling historical service life data for the plant accounts or other depreciable groups, analyzing the historical data base through the use of accepted techniques, and forecasting the survivor characteristics for each depreciable account or group. These forecasts were based on interpretations of the historical data analyses and the probable future. The combination of the historical data and the estimated future trend yields a complete pattern of life characteristics, i.e., a survivor curve, from which the average service life and remaining service life are derived.

The historical data analyzed for life estimation purposes were compiled through 2008 from the Company's plant accounting records. Such data included plant additions, retirements, transfers and other activity recorded by the Company for each of its plant accounts and subaccounts.

The estimates of net salvage by account incorporated a review of experienced costs of removal and salvage related to plant retirements by function, and consideration of trends

exhibited by the historical data. Each component of net salvage, i.e., cost of removal and salvage, was stated in dollars and as a percent of retirement.

An understanding of the function of the plant and information with respect to the reasons for past retirements and the expected causes of future retirements was obtained through field trips and discussions with operating and management personnel. The supplemental information obtained in this manner was considered in the interpretation and extrapolation of the statistical analyses.

Calculation of Depreciation

The depreciation accrual rates were calculated using the straight line method, the remaining life basis and the average service life depreciation procedure. The life span technique was used for certain facilities. In this technique, an average date of final retirement was estimated for each such facility, and the estimated survivor curves applied to each vintage were truncated at ages coinciding with the dates of final retirement.

The continuation of amortization accounting for certain accounts is recommended because of the disproportionate plant accounting effort required when compared to the minimal original cost of the large number of items in these accounts. An explanation of the calculation of annual and accrued amortization is presented on page II-29 of the report.

PART II. METHODS USED IN
THE ESTIMATION OF DEPRECIATION

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PART II. METHODS USED IN THE ESTIMATION OF DEPRECIATION

DEPRECIATION

Depreciation, as defined in the Uniform System of Accounts, is the loss in service value not restored by current maintenance, incurred in connection with the consumption or prospective retirement of gas plant in the course of service from causes which are known to be in current operation and against which the utility is not protected by insurance. Among the causes to be given consideration are wear and tear, decay, action of the elements, inadequacy, obsolescence, changes in the art, changes in demand, requirements of public authorities, and, in the case of natural gas companies, the exhaustion of natural resources.

Depreciation, as used in accounting, is a method of distributing fixed capital costs, less net salvage, over a period of time by allocating annual amounts to expense. Each annual amount of such depreciation expense is part of that year's total cost of providing utility service. Normally, the period of time over which the fixed capital cost is allocated to the cost of service is equal to the period of time over which an item renders service, that is, the item's service life. The most prevalent method of allocation is to distribute an equal amount of cost to each year of service life. This method is known as the straight line method of depreciation.

The calculation of annual depreciation based on the straight line method requires the estimation of average life and salvage. These subjects are discussed in the sections which follow.

SERVICE LIFE AND NET SALVAGE ESTIMATION

Average Service Life

The use of an average service life for a property group implies that the various units in the group have different lives. Thus, the average life may be obtained by determining the separate lives of each of the units, or by constructing a survivor curve by plotting the number of units which survive at successive ages. A discussion of the general concept of survivor curves is presented. Also, the lowa type survivor curves are reviewed.

Survivor Curves

The survivor curve graphically depicts the amount of property existing at each age throughout the life of an original group. From the survivor curve, the average life of the group, the remaining life expectancy, the probable life, and the frequency curve can be calculated. In Figure 1, a typical smooth survivor curve and the derived curves are illustrated. The average life is obtained by calculating the area under the survivor curve, from age zero to the maximum age, and dividing this area by the ordinate at age zero. The remaining life expectancy at any age can be calculated by obtaining the area under the curve, from the observation age to the maximum age, and dividing this area by the percent surviving at the observation age. For example, in Figure 1, the remaining life at age 30 is equal to the crosshatched area under the survivor curve divided by 29.5 percent surviving at age 30. The probable life at any age is developed by adding the age and remaining life. If the probable life of the property is calculated for each year of age, the probable life curve shown in the chart can be developed. The frequency curve presents the number of units retired in each age interval and is derived by obtaining the differences between the amount of property surviving at the beginning and at the end of each interval.

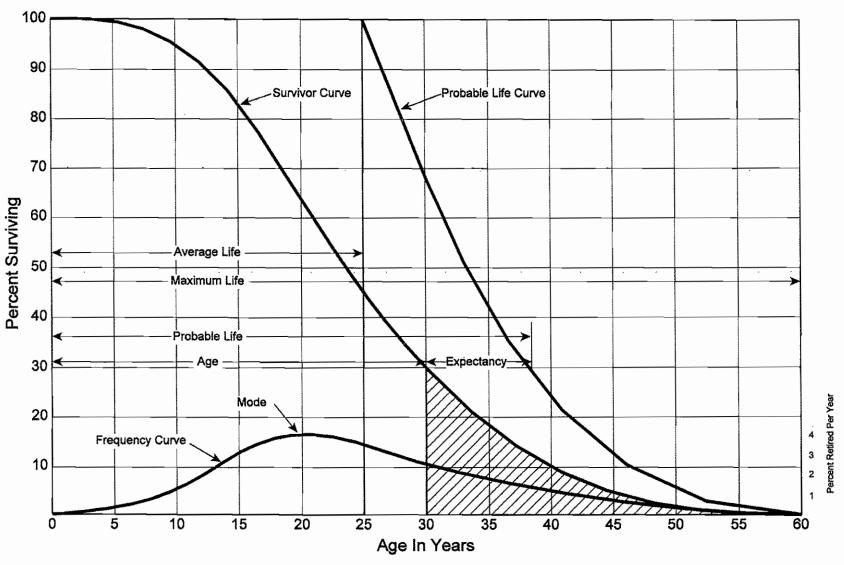


Figure 1. A Typical Survivor Curve and Derived Curves

lowa Type Curves. The range of survivor characteristics usually experienced by utility and industrial properties is encompassed by a system of generalized survivor curves known as the lowa type curves. There are four families in the lowa system, labeled in accordance with the location of the modes of the retirements in relationship to the average life and the relative height of the modes. The left moded curves, presented in Figure 2, are those in which the greatest frequency of retirement occurs to the left of, or prior to, average service life. The symmetrical moded curves, presented in Figure 3, are those in which the greatest frequency of retirement occurs at average service life. The right moded curves, presented in Figure 4, are those in which the greatest frequency occurs to the right of, or after, average service life. The origin moded curves, presented in Figure 5, are those in which the greatest frequency of retirement occurs at the origin, or immediately after age zero. The letter designation of each family of curves (L, S, R or O) represents the location of the mode of the associated frequency curve with respect to the average service life. The numbers represent the relative heights of the modes of the frequency curves within each family.

The lowa curves were developed at the lowa State College Engineering Experiment Station through an extensive process of observation and classification of the ages at which industrial property had been retired. A report of the study which resulted in the classification of property survivor characteristics into 18 type curves, which constitute three of the four families, was published in 1935 in the form of the Experiment Station's Bulletin 125.1 These type curves have also been presented in subsequent Experiment Station

¹Winfrey, Robley. <u>Statistical Analyses of Industrial Property Retirements</u>. Iowa State College, Engineering Experiment Station, Bulletin 125. 1935.

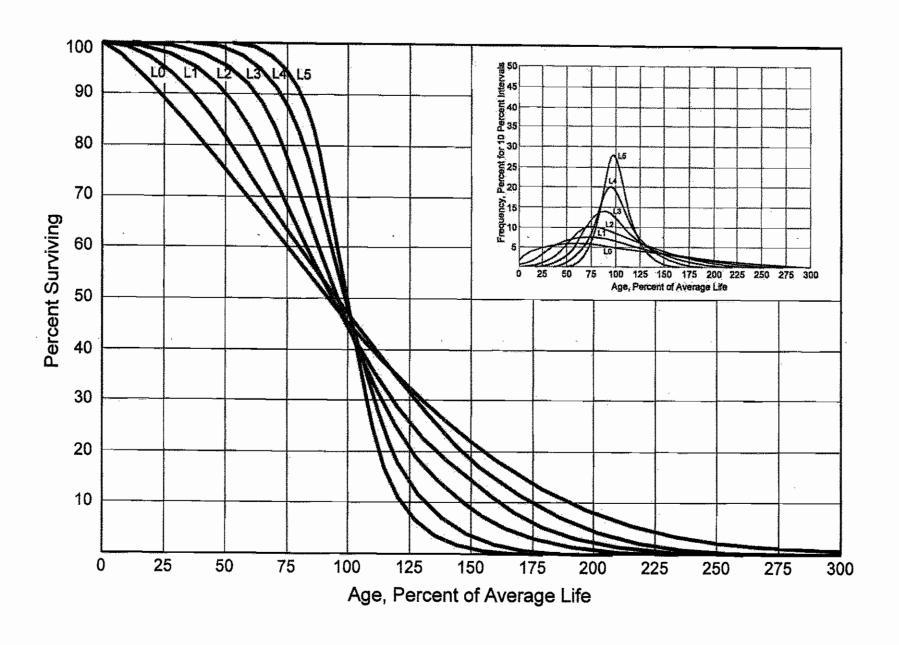


Figure 2. Left Modal or "L" Iowa Type Survivor Curves

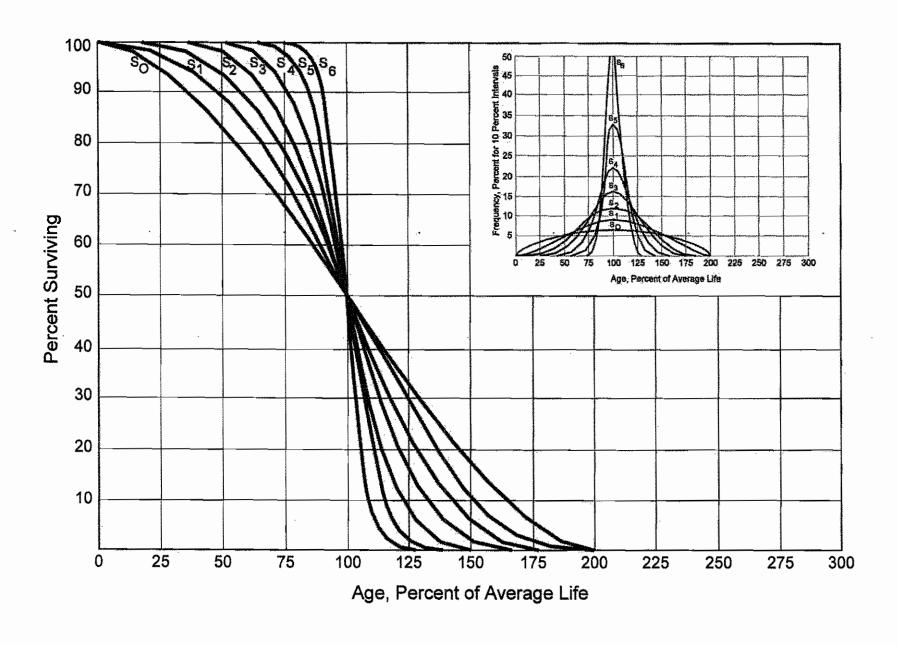


Figure 3. Symmetrical or "S" Iowa Type Survivor Curves

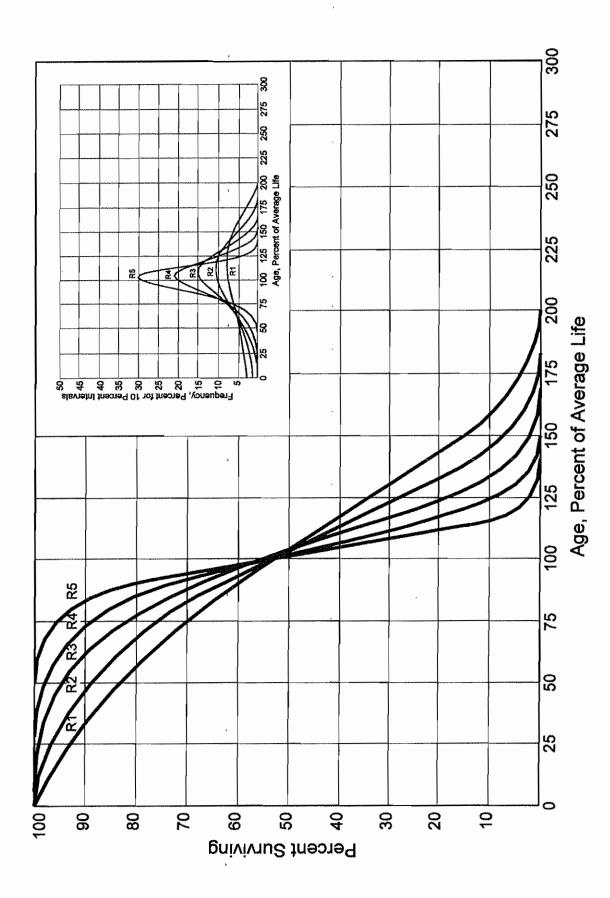


Figure 4. Right Modal or "R" lowa Type Survivor Curves

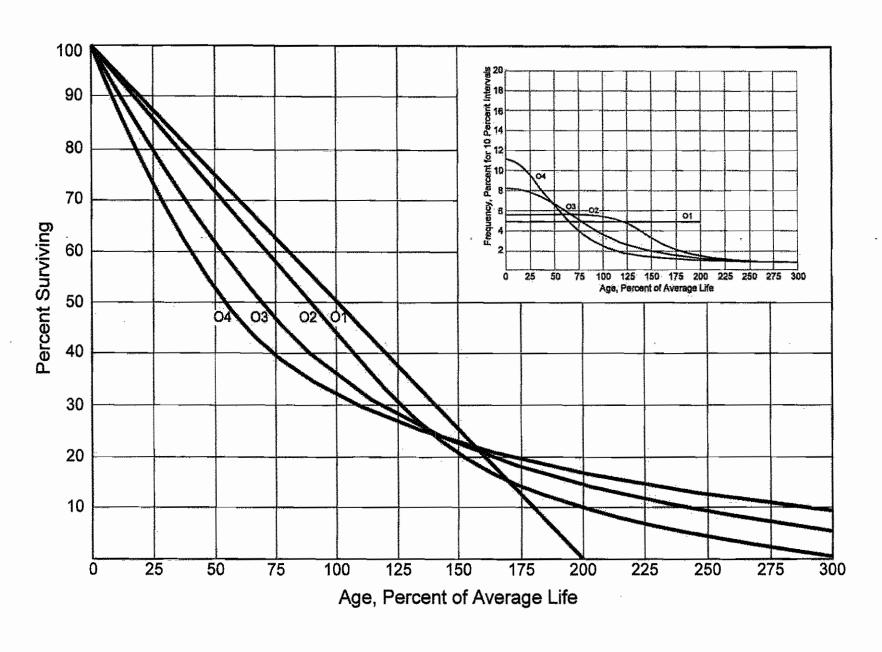


Figure 5. Origin Modal or "O" Iowa Type Survivor Curves

bulletins and in the text, "Engineering Valuation and Depreciation." In 1957, Frank V. B. Couch, Jr., an Iowa State College graduate student, submitted a thesis presenting his development of the fourth family consisting of the four O type survivor curves.

Retirement Rate Method of Analysis

The retirement rate method is an actuarial method of deriving survivor curves using the average rates at which property of each age group is retired. The method relates to property groups for which aged accounting experience is available or for which aged accounting experience is developed by statistically aging unaged amounts and is the method used to develop the original stub survivor curves in this study. The method (also known as the annual rate method) is illustrated through the use of an example in the following text, and is also explained in several publications, including "Statistical Analyses of Industrial Property Retirements," "Engineering Valuation and Depreciation," and "Depreciation Systems."

The average rate of retirement used in the calculation of the percent surviving for the survivor curve (life table) requires two sets of data: first, the property retired during a period of observation, identified by the property's age at retirement; and second, the property exposed to retirement at the beginnings of the age intervals during the same

²Marston, Anson, Robley Winfrey and Jean C. Hempstead. <u>Engineering Valuation</u> and Depreciation, 2nd Edition. New York, McGraw-Hill Book Company. 1953.

³Couch, Frank V. B., Jr. "Classification of Type O Retirement Characteristics of Industrial Property." Unpublished M.S. thesis (Engineering Valuation). Library, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. 1957.

⁴Winfrey, Robley, Supra Note 1.

⁵Marston, Anson, Robley Winfrey, and Jean C. Hempstead, Supra Note 2.

⁶Wolf, Frank K. and W. Chester Fitch. <u>Depreciation Systems</u>. Iowa State University Press. 1994

period. The period of observation is referred to as the <u>experience band</u>, and the band of years which represent the installation dates of the property exposed to retirement during the experience band is referred to as the <u>placement band</u>. An example of the calculations used in the development of a life table follows. The example includes schedules of annual aged property transactions, a schedule of plant exposed to retirement, a life table and illustrations of smoothing the stub survivor curve.

Schedules of Annual Transactions in Plant Records. The property group used to illustrate the retirement rate method is observed for the experience band 1999-2008 during which there were placements during the years 1994-2008. In order to illustrate the summation of the aged data by age interval, the data were compiled in the manner presented in Tables 1 and 2 on pages II-12 and II-13. In Table 1, the year of installation (year placed) and the year of retirement are shown. The age interval during which a retirement occurred is determined from this information. In the example which follows, \$10,000 of the dollars invested in 1994 were retired in 1999. The \$10,000 retirement occurred during the age interval between 4½ and 5½ years on the basis that approximately one-half of the amount of property was installed prior to and subsequent to July 1 of each year. That is, on the average, property installed during a year is placed in service at the midpoint of the year for the purpose of the analysis. All retirements also are stated as occurring at the midpoint of a one-year age interval of time, except the first age interval which encompasses only one-half year.

The total retirements occurring in each age interval in a band are determined by summing the amounts for each transaction year-installation year combination for that age

TABLE 1. RETIREMENTS FOR EACH YEAR 1999-2008 SUMMARIZED BY AGE INTERVAL

Experience B	and 1	999-	20	08
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Placement Band 1994-2008

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Year						<u>ng Year</u>					Total During	Age
<u>Placed</u>	<u> 1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u> 2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	2004	<u> 2005</u>	<u> 2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	Age Interval	<u>Interval</u>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
1994	10	11	12	13	14	16	23	24	25	26	26	131/2-141/2
1995	11	12	13	15	16	18	20	21	22	19	44	121/2-131/2
1996	11	12	13	14	16	17	19	21	22	18	64	11½-12½
1997	8	9	10	11	11	13	14	15	16	17	83	10½-11½
1998	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	19	20	93	91/2-101/2
1999	4	9.	10	. 11	12	13	-14	15	16	20	105	81/2-91/2
2000		5	11	12	13	14	15	16	18	20	113	71/2-81/2
2001			6	12	13	15	16	17	19	19	124	61/2-71/2
2002				6	13	15	16	17	19	19	131	51/2-61/2
2003					7	14	16	17	19	20	143	41/2-51/2
2004						8	18	20	22	- 23	146	31/2-41/2
2005							9	20	22	25	150	21/2-31/2
2006								11	23	25	151	11/2-21/2
2007									11	. 24	153	1/2-11/2
2008			_							<u>13</u>	80	0-1/2
Total	<u>53</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>1,606</u>	

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TABLE 2. OTHER TRANSACTIONS FOR EACH YEAR 1999-2008 SUMMARIZED BY AGE INTERVAL

Experience Band 1999-2008

Placement Band 1994 -2008

	Acquisitions, Transfers and Sales, Thousands of Dollars											
Year					D	uring Yea	ar				Total During	Age
<u>Placed</u>	<u> 1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	2002	<u>2003</u>	2004	<u>2005</u>	2006	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	Age Interval	<u>Interval</u>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
1994	-	-	_	-	-	-	60ª	-	-	-	-	13½-14½
1995 -	 .	-	٠ ــ	٠ -			-	· . •	-	· - ·		12½-13½
1996	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	111/2-121/2
1997	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	(5) ^b	-	-	60	10½-11½
1998	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	6 ^{°a}	-		-	91/2-101/2
1999		-	-	_	-	-	-	_	-		(5)	81/2-91/2
2000		-	-	~	_		_	-	-	-	6	71/2-81/2
2001			-	· _	-		· _	<i>-</i>	· _	-	•	61/2-71/2
2002				-	•		_	(12) ^b	-	_	-	5½-6½
2003					_	-	-	`	22 ^a	•	-	41/2-51/2
2004							-	(19) ^b	-	-	10	31/2-41/2
2005							-	` _ ´	-	-	-	21/2-31/2
2006									-	(102)°	(121)	11/2-21/2
2007									-	` <u>-</u>	-	1/2-11/2
2008	_		_	_		_	_	_	_	_	·	0-1/2
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>60</u>	(<u>30</u>)	<u>22</u>	(<u>102</u>)	(<u>50</u>)	

^a Transfer Affecting Exposures at Beginning of Year ^b Transfer Affecting Exposures at End of Year ^c Sale with Continued Use

Parentheses denote Credit amount.

interval. For example, the total of \$143,000 retired for age interval 4½-5½ is the sum of the retirements entered on Table 1 immediately above the stairstep line drawn on the table beginning with the 1999 retirements of 1994 installations and ending with the 2008 retirements of the 2003 installations. Thus, the total amount of 143 for age interval 4½-5½ equals the sum of:

$$10 + 12 + 13 + 11 + 13 + 13 + 15 + 17 + 19 + 20$$
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In Table 2, other transactions which affect the group are recorded in a similar manner. The entries illustrated include transfers and sales. The entries which are credits to the plant account are shown in parentheses. The items recorded on this schedule are not totaled with the retirements, but are used in developing the exposures at the beginning of each age interval.

Schedule of Plant Exposed to Retirement. The development of the amount of plant exposed to retirement at the beginning of each age interval is illustrated in Table 3 on page II-15.

The surviving plant at the beginning of each year from 1999 through 2008 is recorded by year in the portion of the table headed "Annual Survivors at the Beginning of the Year." The last amount entered in each column is the amount of new plant added to the group during the year. The amounts entered in Table 3 for each successive year following the beginning balance or addition are obtained by adding or subtracting the net entries shown on Tables 1 and 2. For the purpose of determining the plant exposed to retirement, transfers-in are considered as being exposed to retirement in this group at the beginning of the year in which they occurred, and the sales and transfers-out are considered to be removed from the plant exposed to retirement at the beginning of the following year. Thus the amount of plant shown at the beginning of each year are

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TABLE 3. PLANT EXPOSED TO RETIREMENT JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR 1999-2008 SUMMARIZED BY AGE INTERVAL

Experience Band 1999-2008

Placement Band 1994-2008

					Total at							
Year	4000					rs at the					Beginning of	Age
Placed (1)	<u>1999</u> (2)	2000 (3)	2 <u>001</u> (4)	<u>2002</u> (5)	<u>2003</u> (6)	2004 (7)	2005 (8)	2 <u>006</u>	<u>2007</u> (10)	<u>2008</u> (11)	Age Interval (12)	<u>Interval</u> (13)
(1)	(2)	(0)	(+)	(0)	(0)	(7)	(0)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(10)
1994	255	245	234	222	209	195	239	216	192	167	167	131/2-141/2
1995	279	268	256	243	228	212	194	174	153	131	323	121/2-131/2
1996	307	296	284	271	257	241	224	205	184	162	531	111/2-121/2
1997	338	330	321	311	300	289	276	262	242	226	823	101/2-111/2
1998	376	367	357	346	334	321	307	297	280	261	1,097	91/2-101/2
1999	420ª	416	407	397	386	374	361	347	332	316	1,503	81/2-91/2
2000		460°	455	444	432	419	405	390	374	356	1,952	71/2-81/2
2001			510ª	504	492	479	464	448	431	412	2,463	61/2-71/2
2002				580°	574	561	546	530	501	482	3,057	51/2-61/2
2003					660ª	653	639	623	628	609	3,789	41/2-51/2
2004						750ª	742	724	685	663	4,332	31/2-41/2
2005							850ª	841	821	799	4,955	21/2-31/2
2006								960°	949	926	5,719	11/2-21/2
2007									1,080ª	1,069	6,579	1/2-11/2
2008										<u>1,220</u> ª	<u>7,490</u>	0-1/2
Total	<u>1,975</u>	<u>2,382</u>	<u>2,824</u>	<u>3,318</u>	<u>3,872</u>	<u>4,494</u>	<u>5,247</u>	<u>6,017</u>	<u>6,852</u>	<u>7,799</u>	<u>44,780</u>	

^a Additions during the year.

the amounts of plant from each placement year considered to be exposed to retirement at the beginning of each successive transaction year. For example, the exposures for the installation year 2003 are calculated in the following manner:

Exposures at age 0 = amount of addition = \$750,000 Exposures at age $\frac{1}{2}$ = \$750,000 - \$8,000 = \$742,000 Exposures at age $\frac{1}{2}$ = \$742,000 - \$18,000 = \$724,000 Exposures at age $\frac{2}{2}$ = \$724,000 - \$20,000 - \$19,000 = \$685,000 Exposures at age $\frac{3}{2}$ = \$685,000 - \$22,000 = \$663,000

For the entire experience band 1999-2008, the total exposures at the beginning of an age interval are obtained by summing diagonally in a manner similar to the summing of the retirements during an age interval (Table 1). For example, the figure of 3,789, shown as the total exposures at the beginning of age interval 4½-5½, is obtained by summing:

Original Life Table. The original life table, illustrated in Table 4 on page II-17, is developed from the totals shown on the schedules of retirements and exposures, Tables 1 and 3, respectively. The exposures at the beginning of the age interval are obtained from the corresponding age interval of the exposure schedule, and the retirements during the age interval are obtained from the corresponding age interval of the retirement schedule. The retirement ratio is the result of dividing the retirements during the age interval by the exposures at the beginning of the age interval. The percent surviving at the beginning of each age interval is derived from survivor ratios, each of which equals one minus the retire-

TABLE 4. ORIGINAL LIFE TABLE CALCULATED BY THE RETIREMENT RATE METHOD

Experience Band 1999-2008

Placement Band 1994-2008

(Exposure and Retirement Amounts are in Thousands of Dollars)

		u			Percent
Age at	Exposures at	Retirements			Surviving at
Beginning of	Beginning of	During Age	Retirement	Survivor	Beginning of
<u>Interval</u>	Age Interval	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	Ratio	Age Interval
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
0.0	7,490	80	0.0107	0.9893	100.00
0.5	6,579	153	0.0233	0.9767	98.93
1.5	5,719	151	0.0264	0.9736	96.62
2.5	4,955	150	0.0303	0.9697	94.07
3.5	4,332	146	0.0337	0.9663	91.22
4.5	3,789	143	0.0377	0.9623	88.15
5.5	3,057	131	0.0429	0.9571	84.83
6.5	2,463	124	0.0503	0.9497	81.19
7.5	1,952	113	0.0579	0.9421	77.11
8.5	1,503	105	0.0699	0.9301	72.65
9.5	1,097	93	0.0848	0.9152	67.57
10.5	823	83	0.1009	0.8991	61.84
11.5	531	64	0.1205	0.8795	55,60
12.5	323	44	0.1362	0.8638	48.90
13.5	<u> 167</u>	<u>26</u>	0.1557	0.8443	42.24
		·			35.66
Total	<u>44,780</u>	<u>1,606</u>			

Column 2 from Table 3, Column 12, Plant Exposed to Retirement.

Column 3 from Table 1, Column 12, Retirements for Each Year.

Column 4 = Column 3 divided by Column 2.

Column 5 = 1.0000 minus Column 4.

Column 6 = Column 5 multiplied by Column 6 as of the Preceding Age Interval.

ment ratio. The percent surviving is developed by starting with 100% at age zero and successively multiplying the percent surviving at the beginning of each interval by the survivor ratio, i.e., one minus the retirement ratio for that age interval. The calculations necessary to determine the percent surviving at age 5½ are as follows:

88.15 Percent surviving at age 4½ Exposures at age 4½ = 3,789,000Retirements from age $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ 143,000 Retirement Ratio === $143,000 \div 3,789,000 = 0.0377$ Survivor Ratio 0.0377 = 0.9623= 1.000 -Percent surviving at age 51/2 = $(88.15) \times (0.9623) =$ 84.83

The totals of the exposures and retirements (columns 2 and 3) are shown for the purpose of checking with the respective totals in Tables 1 and 3. The ratio of the total retirements to the total exposures, other than for each age interval, is meaningless.

The original survivor curve is plotted from the original life table (column 6, Table 4). When the curve terminates at a percent surviving greater than zero, it is called a stub survivor curve. Survivor curves developed from retirement rate studies generally are stub curves.

Smoothing the Original Survivor Curve. The smoothing of the original survivor curve eliminates any irregularities and serves as the basis for the preliminary extrapolation to zero percent surviving of the original stub curve. Even if the original survivor curve is complete from 100% to zero percent, it is desirable to eliminate any irregularities, as there is still an extrapolation for the vintages which have not yet lived to the age at which the curve reaches zero percent. In this study, the smoothing of the original curve with established type curves was used to eliminate irregularities in the original curve.

The lowa type curves are used in this study to smooth those original stub curves which are expressed as percents surviving at ages in years. Each original survivor curve

was compared to the lowa curves using visual and mathematical matching in order to determine the better fitting smooth curves. In Figures 6, 7, and 8, the original curve developed in Table 4 is compared with the L, S, and R lowa type curves which most nearly fit the original survivor curve. In Figure 6, the L1 curve with an average life between 12 and 13 years appears to be the best fit. In Figure 7, the S0 type curve with a 12-year average life appears to be the best fit and appears to be better than the L1 fitting. In Figure 8, the R1 type curve with a 12-year average life appears to be the best fit and appears to be better than either the L1 or the S0. In Figure 9, the three fittings, 12-L1, 12-S0 and 12-R1 are drawn for comparison purposes. It is probable that the 12-R1 lowa curve would be selected as the most representative of the plotted survivor characteristics of the group, assuming no contrary relevant factors external to the analysis of historical data.

Field Trips

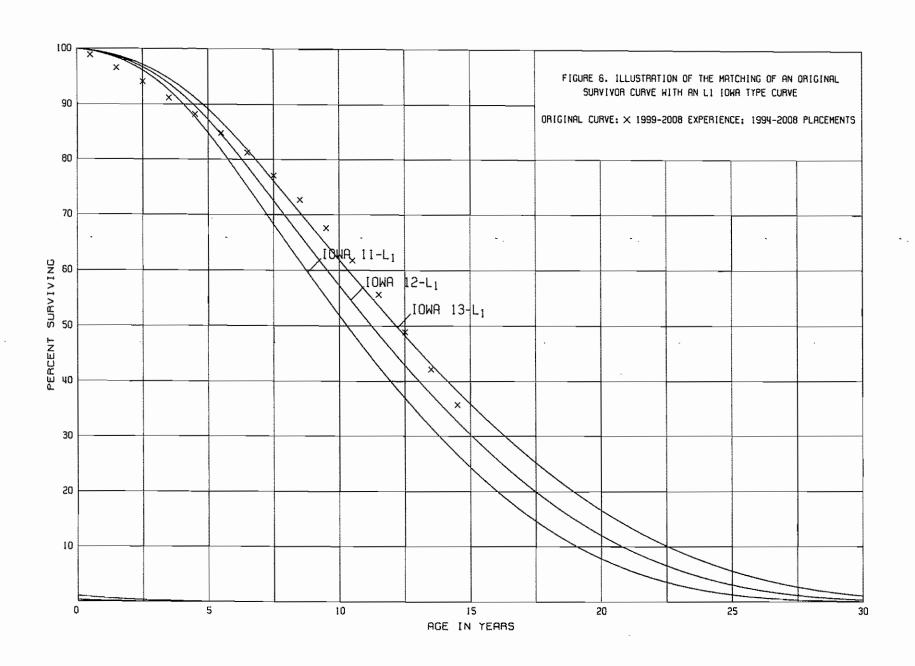
In order to be familiar with the operation of the Company and to observe representative portions of the plant, a field trip was conducted. A general understanding of the function of the plant and information with respect to the reasons for past retirements and the expected future causes of retirements was obtained during this trip. This knowledge and information were incorporated in the interpretation and extrapolation of the statistical analyses.

The plant facilities visited on February 24 and 25, 2004, are as follows:

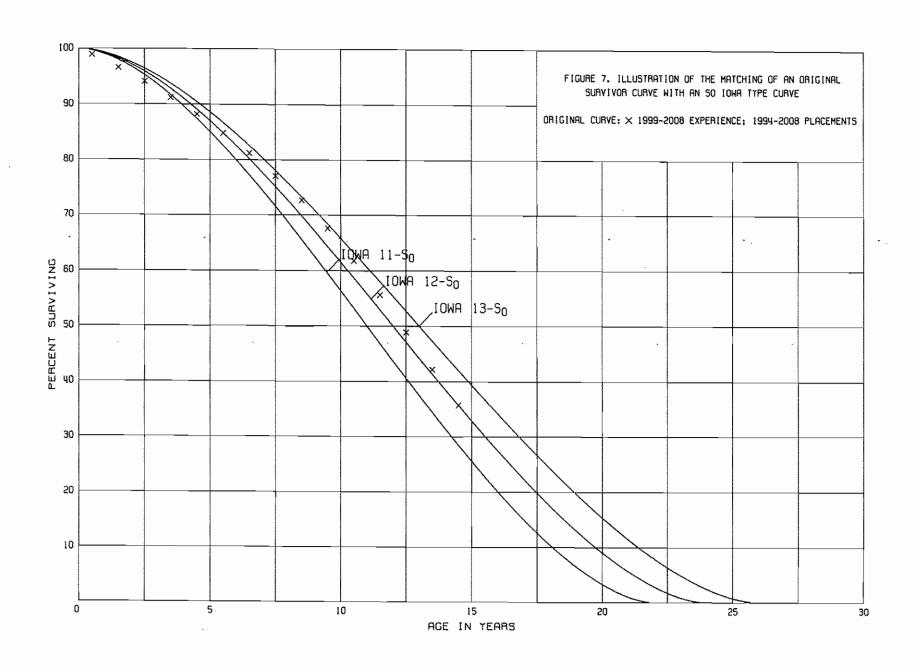
February 24, 2004

Lucius Road Propane Plant
Bald Hill Town Border Station
Columbia Meter Shop - Shakespeare Road
Shakespeare Road Gas Operations
Florence Gas Operations
Florence Town Border Station
N. Irby Street and Lucas Street Regulating Station
Quincy Restaurant Meter Set
Comfort Inn Meter Set

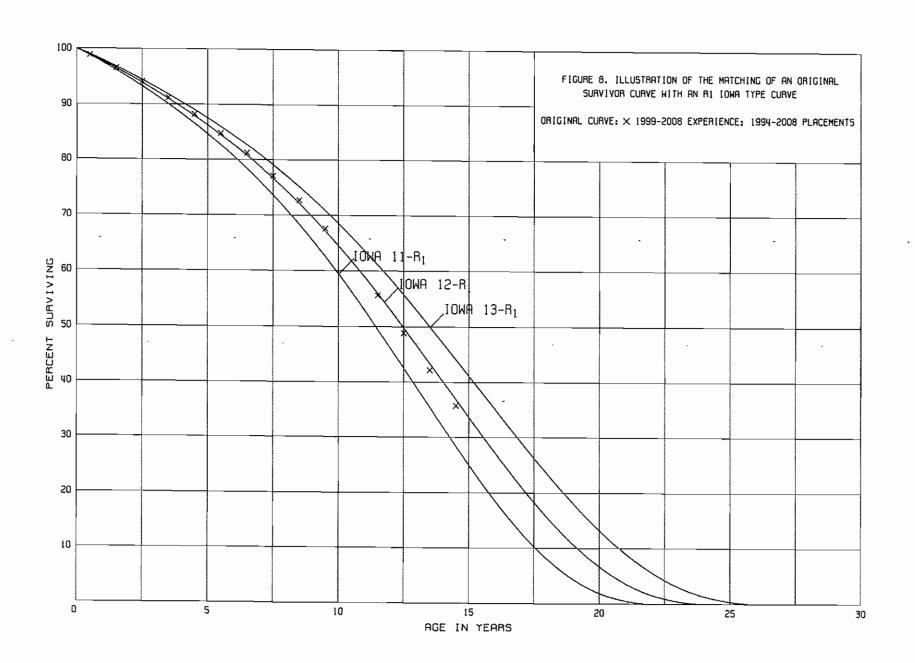




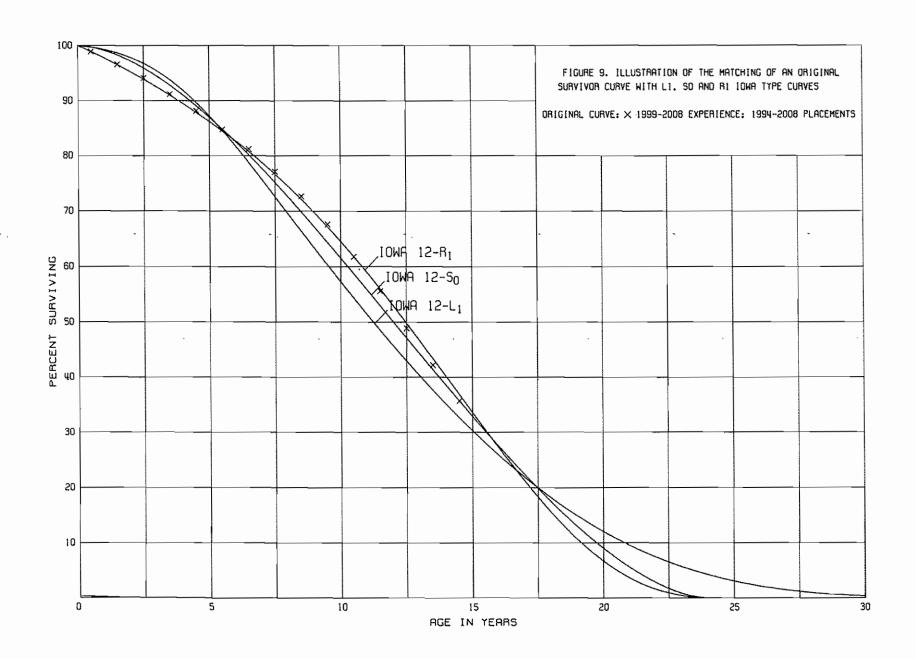












February 25, 2004

Charleston Gas Operations
Faber Place Propane Plant
Faber Place Regulating Station
Stark Industrial Park Regulating Station

Service Life Considerations

The service life estimates were based on judgment which considered a number of factors. The primary factors were the statistical analyses of data; current Company policies and outlook as determined during conversations with management; and the survivor curve estimates from previous studies of this company and other gas utility companies.

For 10 of the plant accounts and subaccounts for which survivor curves were estimated, the statistical analyses using the retirement rate method resulted in good to excellent indications of the survivor patterns experienced. These accounts represent 88 percent of depreciable plant. Generally, the information external to the statistics led to no significant departure from the indicated survivor curves for the accounts listed below.

DISTRIBUTION PLANT

DIGHTEDOTTORT	E/141
475.00	Structures and Improvements
476.00	Mains
478.00	Measuring and Regulating Station Equipment
479.00	City Gate Check Stations
480.00	Services
481.00	Meters
485.10	Ind. Measuring and Regulating Station Equip Commercial
485.20	Ind. Measuring and Regulating Station Equip Industrial

GENERAL PLANT

490.10	Structures and	Improvements - Office
490.20	Structures and	Improvements - Warehouse

Account 476.00, Mains, is used to illustrate the manner in which the study was conducted for the groups in the preceding list. Aged plant accounting data for mains have been compiled for the years 1991 through 2008. These data have been coded in the course of the Company's normal record keeping according to account or property group,

type of transaction, year in which the transaction took place, and year in which the gas plant was placed in service. The retirements, other plant transactions, and plant additions were analyzed by the retirement rate method.

The survivor curve estimate is based on the statistical indications for the period 1991 through 2008. The Iowa 65-S2.5 is a reasonable fit of the original survivor curve. The 65-year service life is within the typical service life range of 50 to 70 years for mains. The 65-year life reflects the Company's plans to continue current practices of replacement of mains that leak or older mains which need to meet current demands.

The survivor curve estimates for the remaining accounts were based on judgment incorporating the statistical analyses and previous studies for this and other gas utilities.

Salvage Analysis

The estimates of net salvage by account were based in part on historical data compiled through 2008. Cost of removal and salvage were expressed as percents of the original cost of plant retired, both on annual and three-year moving average bases. The most recent five-year average also was calculated for consideration. The net salvage estimates by account are expressed as a percent of the original cost of plant retired.

Net Salvage Considerations

The estimates of future net salvage are expressed as percentages of surviving plant in service, i.e., all future retirements. In cases in which removal costs are expected to exceed salvage receipts, a negative net salvage percentage is estimated. The net salvage estimates were based on judgment which incorporated analyses of historical cost of removal and salvage data, expectations with respect to future removal requirements and markets for retired equipment and materials.

Statistical analyses of historical data for the period 1986 through 2008 for gas plant were analyzed. The analyses contributed significantly toward the net salvage estimates for 12 plant accounts, representing 91 percent of the depreciable plant, as follows:

Distribution Plant

475.00 Structures and Improvements

476.00 Mains

478.00 Measuring and Regulating Station Equipment

479.00 City Gate Check Stations

480.00 Services

481.00 Meters

481.30 Meters ERT's

485.10 Ind. Measuring and Regulating Station Equip. - Commercial

485.20 Ind. Measuring and Regulating Station Equip. - Industrial

General Plant

490.10 Structures and Improvements - Office

490.20 Structures and Improvements - Warehouse

490.80 Structures and Improvements - Leasehold Offices

Account 480.00, Services, is used to illustrate the manner in which the study was conducted for the groups in the preceding list. Net salvage data for the period 1986 through 2008 were analyzed for this account. The data include cost of removal, gross salvage and net salvage amounts and each of these amounts is expressed as a percent of the original cost of regular retirements. Three-year moving averages for the 1986-1988 through 2006-2008 periods were computed to smooth the annual amounts.

Cost of removal has fluctuated throughout the twenty-three-year period. The primary cause of the fluctuations in cost of removal relates to the amount of services removed by outside contractors as compared to Company personnel and the increasing effort needed to replace a service. Cost of removal for the most recent five years averaged 114 percent.

Gross salvage has been relatively low throughout the period. The most recent fiveyear average of 0 percent gross salvage reflects recent trends toward no salvage value for older services especially as more services are changed from steel to plastic.

The net salvage percent based on the overall period 1986 through 2008 is 89 percent negative net salvage and based on the most recent five-year period is 114 percent. The range of estimates made by other gas companies for Services is negative 40 to negative 200 percent. The net salvage estimate for services is negative 90 percent, is within the range of other estimates and reflects slight movement toward more negative net salvage than the last twenty-three years indicate. This movement toward the more negative percent considers the fact that gross salvage is likely to stay at zero in the future and cost of removal will continue to increase.

The net salvage percents for the remaining accounts representing 9 percent of plant were based on judgment incorporating estimates of previous studies of this and other gas utilities.

CALCULATION OF ANNUAL AND ACCRUED DEPRECIATION

After the survivor curve and salvage are estimated, the annual depreciation accrual rate can be calculated. In the average service life procedure, the annual accrual rate is computed by the following equation:

Annual Accrual Rate,
$$Percent = \frac{(100\% - Net Salvage, Percent)}{Average Service Life}$$

The calculated accrued depreciation for each depreciable property group represents that portion of the depreciable cost of the group which will not be allocated to expense through future depreciation accruals, if current forecasts of life characteristics are used as a basis for straight line depreciation accounting.

The accrued depreciation calculation consists of applying an appropriate ratio to the surviving original cost of each vintage of each account, based upon the attained age and the estimated survivor curve. The accrued depreciation ratios are calculated as follows:

$$Ratio = (1 - \frac{Average \ Remaining \ Life \ Expectancy}{Average \ Service \ Life}) \ (1 - Net \ Salvage, \ Percent).$$

The application of these procedures is described for a single unit of property and a group of property units. Salvage is omitted from the description for ease of application.

Single Unit of Property

The calculation of straight line depreciation for a single unit of property is straightforward. For example, if a \$1,000 unit of property attains an age of four years and has a life expectancy of six years, the annual accrual over the total life is:

$$$1,000 (1 - \frac{6}{10}) = $400.$$

The accrued depreciation is:

$$\frac{\$1,000}{(4+6)}$$
 = \\$100 per year.

Group Depreciation Procedures

When more than a single item of property is under consideration, a group procedure for depreciation is appropriate because normally all of the items within a group do not have identical service lives, but have lives that are dispersed over a range of time. There are two primary group procedures, namely, average service life and equal life group.

Remaining Life Annual Accruals. For the purpose of calculating remaining life accruals as of December 31, 2008, the depreciation reserve for each plant account is allocated among vintages in proportion to the calculated accrued depreciation for the

account. Explanations of remaining life accruals and calculated accrued depreciation follow.

Average Service Life Procedure. In the average service life procedure, the remaining life annual accrual for each vintage is determined by dividing future book accruals (original cost less book reserve) by the average remaining life of the vintage. The average remaining life is a directly weighted average derived from the estimated future survivor curve in accordance with the average service life procedure.

The calculated accrued depreciation for each depreciable property group represents that portion of the depreciable cost of the group which would not be allocated to expense through future depreciation accruals, if current forecasts of life characteristics are used as the basis for such accruals. The accrued depreciation calculation consists of applying an appropriate ratio to the surviving original cost of each vintage of each account, based upon the attained age and service life. The straight line accrued depreciation ratios are calculated as follows for the average service life procedure:

CALCULATION OF ANNUAL AND ACCRUED AMORTIZATION

Amortization is the gradual extinguishment of an amount in an account by distributing such amount over a fixed period over the life of the asset or liability to which it applies, or over the period during which it is anticipated the benefit will be realized. Normally, the distribution of the amount is in equal amounts to each year of the amortization period.

The calculation of annual and accrued amortization requires the selection of an amortization period. The amortization periods used in this report were based on judgment

which incorporated a consideration of the period during which the assets will render most of their service, the amortization period and service lives used by other utilities and the service life estimates previously used for the asset under depreciation accounting.

Amortization accounting is proposed for certain General Plant accounts that represent numerous units of property, but a very small portion of depreciable gas plant in service. The accounts and their amortization periods are as follows:

	•	Amortization
	Account	Period, Years
491.10	Office Furniture and Equipment - Furniture	20
491.20	Office Furniture and Equipment - EDP	5
491.30	Office Furniture and Equipment - Data Handling	20
493	Stores Equipment	25
494.10	Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment - Hand Tools	20
494.20	Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment - Line Tools	20
494.30	Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment - Shop Tools	20
494.40	Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment - Garage	20
495.10	Laboratory Equipment - Meter Test	15
495.20	Laboratory Equipment - Other Lab Test	15
495.30	Laboratory Equipment - Field Test	15
497	Communication Equipment	8
498	Miscellaneous Equipment	15

The calculated accrued amortization is equal to the original cost multiplied by the ratio of the vintage's age to its amortization period. The annual amortization amount is determined by dividing the original cost by the period of amortization for the account.

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QUALIFICATION OF RESULTS

The calculated annual depreciation accrual rates are the principal results of the study. Continued surveillance and periodic revisions are normally required to maintain continued use of appropriate annual depreciation accrual rates. An assumption that accrual rates can remain unchanged over a long period of time implies a disregard for the inherent variability in service lives and salvage and for the change of the composition of property in service. The annual accrual rates were calculated in accordance with the straight line remaining life method of depreciation using the average service life procedure based on estimates which reflect considerations of current historical evidence and expected future conditions.

The annual depreciation accrual rates are applicable specifically to the gas plant in service as of December 31, 2008. For most plant accounts, the application of such rates to future balances that reflect additions subsequent to December 31, 2008, is reasonable for a period of three to five years.

DESCRIPTION OF DEPRECIATION TABULATIONS

A summary of the results of the study, as applied to the original cost of gas plant as of December 31, 2008, is presented on pages III-3 through III-5 of this report. The schedule sets forth the original cost, the book reserve, future accruals, the calculated annual depreciation rate and amount, and the composite remaining life related to gas plant.

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

ESTIMATED SURVIVOR CURVES, NET SALVAGE PERCENT, ORIGINAL COST, BOOK RESERVE AND CALCULATED ANNUAL DEPRECIATION ACCRUALS RELATED TO GAS PLANT AT DECEMBER 31, 2008

Depreciable Group	Survivor Curve	Net Salvage Percent	Original Cost	Book Reserve	Future Accruals	Annual Accrual Amount	Composite Remaining Life	Annual Accrual Rate Percent
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Depreciable Gas Plant								
LNG Plant								
461.00 Structures and improvements								
Salley	50-R3 '	(5)	2,752,322.46	1,161,752	1,728,186	75,451	22.9	2.74
Bushy Park	50-R3 1	(5)	5,594,504.46	5,380,918	493,312	30,549	16.2	0.55
Total Account 461.00			8,346,826.92	6,542,670	2,221,498	106,000	21.0	1.27
462.00 Gas Holders								
Salley	45-S2.5	(10)	13,994,795.31	6,406,352	8,987,923	412,785	21.8	2.95
Bushy Park	45-S2.5 ¹	(10)	6,062,298.74	6,051,134	617,394	42,587	14.5	0.70
Total Account 462.00			20,057,094.05	12,457,486	9,605,317	455,372	21.1	2.27
463.00 Purification Equipment								
Bushy Park	40-S2	(5)	595,546.86	457,223	168,101	10,377	16.2	1.74
463.10 Liquefaction Equipment								
Bushy Park	40-R2.5	(5)	5,090,021.95	4,966,143	378,379	26,262	14.4	0.52
463.20 Vaporizing Equipment								
Salley	35-\$1.5	(10)	3,133,316.00	1,149,129	2,297,519	128,024	18.0	4.09
Bushy Park	35-\$1,5	(10)	1,767,019.60	1,713,722	229,999	17,176	13.4	0.97
Total Account 463.20			4,900,335.60	2,862,851	2,527,518	145,200	17.4	2.96
463.30 Compressor Equipment								
Salley	40-\$2.5	(10)	1,422,491.13	516,562	1,048,178	51,394	20.4	3.61
Bushy Park	40-S2.5	(10)	116,414.26	76,086	51,970	3,161	16.4	2.72
Total Account 463.30			1,538,905.39	592,648	1,100,148	54,555	20.2	3.55
463.40 Measuring and Regulation Equipment								Pa
Salley	45-R1.5	(5)	155,971,41	57,279	106,491	5,011	21.3	3.21
Bushy Park	45-R1.5		385,492.19	371,048	33,719	2,155	15.7	0.56 D
Total Account 463.40			541,463.60	428,327	140,210	7,166	19.6	1.32
463.50 Other Equipment								으
Salley	25-R1 *	(5)	2,414,324.15	626,552	1,908,490	133,924	14.3	5.55
Bushy Park	25-R1 '	(5)	2,583,566.66	2,286,081	426,662	29,323	14.6	5.55 A N
Total Account 463.50			4,997,890.81	2,912,633	2,335,152	163,247	14.3	3.27
Total LNG Plant			46,068,085.18	31,219,981	18,476,323	968,179		2.10

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

ESTIMATED SURVIVOR CURVES, NET SALVAGE PERCENT, ORIGINAL COST, BOOK RESERVE AND CALCULATED ANNUAL DEPRECIATION ACCRUALS RELATED TO GAS PLANT AT DECEMBER 31, 2008

Depreciable Group	Survivor Curve	Net Salvage Percent	Original Cost	Book Reserve	Future Accruals	Annual Accrual Amount	Composite Remaining Life	Annual Accrual Rate Percent
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Distribution Plant								
475.00 Structures and Improvements	45-S0	(5)	389,670.66	194,332	214,822	6,844	31.4	1.76
476.00 Mains	65-\$2,5	(25)	303,595,527.49	116,954,602	262,539,809	5,049,240	52.0	1.66
477.00 Compressor Station Equipment	20-SQ	0	442,71	443	0	0		-
478.00 Measuring & Regulating Station Equipment	55-R3	(40)	8,204,764.26	2,970,407	8,516,262	187,968	45.3	2.29
479.00 City Gate Check Stations	55-R3	(40)	474,562.13	65,345	599,042	12,031	49.8	2.54
480.00 Services	53-R3	(90)	188,878,776.56	78,379,872	280,489,805	7,385,795	38.0	3.91
481.00 Meters	41-R2	(10)	66,210,586.65	24,152,317	48,679,327	1,607,919	30.3	2.43
481 20 Meters AFB	41-R2	0	57,138.23	2,130	55,008	1,357	40.5	2.37
481.30 Meters ERT's	15-\$2.5	0	17,496,359.41	587,103	16,909,256	1,286,851	13.1	7.35
481.40 Meters AFB ERT's	15-S2.5	0	429.10	13	416	29	14.3	6.76
485.10 Industrial Measuring & Regulating Station Equipment - Commerical	55-R2	0	2,092,288.29	574,515	1,517,771	35,004	43.4	1.67
485.20 Industrial Measuring & Regulating Station Equipment - Industrial	55-R2	0	4,681,713.84	1,499,983	3,181,734	70,804	44.9	1.51
485.50 Industrial Measuring & Regulating Station Equipment - SCPC	55-R2	0	6,642,939.76	2,614,012	4,028,927	78,837	51.1	1.19
487.00 Other Equipment.	25-R1.5	0	130,839.38	72,927	57,913	3,387	17.1	2.59
Total Distribution Plant			598,856,038.47	228,068,001	626,790,092	15,726,066		2.63
General Plant								
490.10 Structures and Improvements - Office	45-S0	(5)	15,696,562.06	3,502,166	12,979,220	369,005	35.2	2.35
490.20 Structures and Improvements - Warehouse	45-S0	(5)	1,213,478.06	388,725	885,427	25,330	35.0	2.09
490.80 Structures and Improvements - Leasehold Office	20-83	o o	40,156.11	16,915	23,242	2,810	8.3	7.00
490.90 Structures and Improvements - Leasehold Warehouse	20-83	0	6,776.75	4,411	2,366	570	4.2	8.41
491.10 Office Furniture and Equipment	20-SQ	ō	1,086,269.66	843,034	243,235	36,704	6.6	3.38
491.20 Office Furniture and Equipment - Information System EDP	5-SQ	ō	362,256.77	60,843	301,414	110,785	2.7	30.58
491.30 Office Furniture and Equipment - Office Data Handling	20-SQ	ō	79,949.07	52,028	27,921	6,947	4.0	8.69
493.00 Stores Equipment	25-SQ	0	47,901.38	41,946	5,955	2,800	2.1	5.85
494.10 Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment - Power Hand Tools	20-SQ	ō	700,288.36	516,124	184,164	115,940	1.6	16.56
494.20 Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment - Line Tools	20-SQ	ō	2,976,607,26	1,231,140	1,745,468	127,434	13.7	4.28
494.30 Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment - Shop Tools	20-SQ	0	42,065,73	23,807	18,259	1,978	9.2	4.70
494.40 Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment - Garage	20-SQ	0	176,665.82	91,051	85,614	8,129	10.5	4.60
495.10 Laboratory Equipment - Meter Test	15-SQ	o	135,121,64	34,287	100,834	11,029	9.1	8 16 W
495.20 Laboratory Equipment - Other Lab Test	15-SQ	0	47,976.25	44,724	3,252	1,728	1,9	3.60 G
495.30 Laboratory Equipment - Field Test	15-SQ	0	425,940,72	228,156	197,784	19,417	10.2	4.56
497.00 Communication Equipment	8-SQ	o	958,273.17	402,963	555,311	85,998	6.5	897 4
498.00 Miscellaneous Equipment	15-SQ	ō	1,197,528.30	407,755	789,775	85,499	9.2	7.14
Total General Plant			25,193,817.11	7,890,075	18,149,241	1,012,103		4.02 4. 02
Total Depreciable Gas Plant			670,117,940.76	267,178,057	663,415,656	17,706,348	37.5	2.64

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SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

ESTIMATED SURVIVOR CURVES, NET SALVAGE PERCENT, ORIGINAL COST, BOOK RESERVE AND CALCULATED ANNUAL DEPRECIATION ACCRUALS RELATED TO GAS PLANT AT DECEMBER 31, 2008

Depreciable Group(1)	Survivor Curve (2)	Net Salvage Percent (3)	Original Cost (4)	Book Reserve (5)	Future Accruals (6)	Annual Accrual Amount (7)	Composite Remaining <u>Life</u> (8)	Annual Accrual Rate Percent (9)
Nondepreciable Plant								
403.00 Miscellaneous Intangible Plant 460.00 Land and Land Rights 474.10 Land - Gas Distribution 474.20 Land Rights - Gas Distribution 474.30 Land - Gas Distribution FROM PC 474.50 Land Rights - Gas Distribution FROM SCPC 489.10 Land - Gas General			8,681,988.69 778,435.07 189,129.08 1,196,342.93 186,373.04 8,120,279.61 3,274,713.42					
Total Nondepreciable Plant			22,427,261.84					
Total Gas Plant			692,545,202.60	267,178,057	663,415,656	17,706,348		

^{*} Life span procedure used. Curve shown is interim survivor curve.